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TO: Minerals File

FROM: D. Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor 

RE: Documentation of September 12, 2000 Conference Call, Assessment Review & Status of Closure & Reclamation Activities, North Lily Mining Company, Tintic Project, M/023/007, Juab County, Utah

Date of Call/Meeting: September 12, 2000  
Location: Division Offices  
Time of Call/Meeting: 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.  
Participants: Steven Flechner, Gene Webb & Walt Shubert - North Lily Mining Company; Bob Bayer - JBR Consultants; Pam Grubaugh-Littig, Wayne Hedberg, and Doug Jensen - DOGM; Beth Wondimu - DWQ

*Purpose of Call/Meeting:* The purpose of this conference call was to document the progress that has been made at the Tintic Project site since our last conference call on August 29, 2000.

On September 12, 2000, a conference call was held between the representatives identified above to discuss the status of ongoing closure and reclamation activities at the Tintic Project site. Initial discussion focused principally on the results/findings of the latest September 8 and 11, 2000 site inspections, and actions that have occurred on site since then. A summary of the discussion item details follow:

- Wayne asked North Lily representatives to present an overview of the recent problems caused to the overflow pond liner resulting from wind shear damage. Bob and Walt gave an accounting of what had transpired to date, including how and when the regulatory agencies were notified of the problem.
- Beth asked for a written letter documenting the incident pursuant to the Ground Water permitting requirements. Bob indicated both agencies would receive a copy of this letter by Wednesday morning.
- Walt stated that a 2<sup>nd</sup> pump would be hooked up as a back-up to separate the mist arrays to each pond and increase the pressure to enhance the evaporation rates. An electrician is scheduled to go down to the site tomorrow to check electrical system for same.
- North Lily wants to keep using the overflow pond as planned and approved, but keep depth down below the rips and tears in the liner. No plans to reline the pond at present. Having just inspected the pond on Friday, both agencies gave no immediate objection to continue using the pond for the

time being. Beth would need to discuss further with DWQ management to determine position on longer term use.

- Bob stated he expected to see the meteoric water mobility test results by September 19<sup>th</sup>. He hopes to receive the soil fertility test results a day or two later. Not sure when the water quality analyses will be received from Chem Tech Ford (30 day turn around is normal). Expects another two weeks yet.
- We revised the date for receipt of the final design of the post closure water management plan until October 2, 2000. Bob stated that they needed to perform some limited onsite soil testing for determining percolation rates (soil borings or test pits). He also felt that the overflow pond area, in and of itself, may not be adequate sized area for constructing the ultimate draindown water management area.
- Steve and Gene again explained their monetary constraints and that they have two pending land transactions scheduled to close by the end of the month (if all goes according to plan).
- Walt (Bob?) stated that the sampling pump for the preg pond sump needs to be replaced.
- Bob stated that he had faxed to us this morning water pumping and return rate information with graphs. Doug said we were still missing the whole month of August's daily rate information (7/8/00 - 7/16/00 and 8/3/00 - 9/5/00 missing). Bob said he would make arrangement to have it sent to us ASAP.
- Wayne asked about status of ditch liner repairs. Walt said he had recently delivered a gallon of glue to the site for Elwin to use to secure patches better. Glue somehow disappeared before Elwin could use it, so another can is being acquired from Rainy Day liner company. Major patches are complete to the north end with exception of a few smaller repairs needed around the big patch at junction near flume on north end. Doug okayed Elwin to go ahead and repair same.
- Bob was asked about status of RCRA inventory work. He stated no hazardous wastes had been identified under RCRA standards. Nothing back yet on the unknowns (30-day turn around). Bob said he hadn't asked Kennecott to take other materials they have inventoried at the site. He said that Chief Consolidated may have a use for same as well.

We ended the conference call with DOGM agreeing to type up the conference call minutes and send same, along with a copy of the revised schedule, to all participants. We confirmed the next conference call for September 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. Doug stated he and Beth Wondimu would like to meet Walt onsite September 25<sup>th</sup> to evaluate the status of closure activities before the call.

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